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Hon. Michael P. Burns

Judgeship

2011 - present

Judge of the County Court, 10th Judicial District

Adams, Clay, Fillmore, Franklin, Harlan, Kearney, Nuckolls, Phelps, & Webster counties

2013, 2014, 2017

Presiding Judge, County Court, 10th Judicial District

2014 - present

Senior Judge, County Court, 10th Judicial District

Experience

1998 - 2011

Sullivan, Shoemaker, Witt, & Burns

Hastings, NE

2006 - 2011

Clay County Public Defender

Clay Center, NE

1996 - 1998

Seiler, Parker, & Moncrief

Hastings, NE

1994 - 1996

Hall County Attorney's Office, Deputy County Attorney
Grand Island, NE

1992 - 1993

King County Prosecutor's Office, temporary special prosecutor
Seattle, WA

Education

Creighton University School of Law, 1992
Juris Doctorate

Creighton University, 1989
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration - Finance

Judicial/Law Related Activities

Professional Affiliations

Nebraska State Bar Association

Hall/Howard County Bar Association

Adams County Bar Association

President, 2006 - 2007

Treasurer, 2003 - 2011

Nebraska Mediation Association

Nebraska Association of Trial Attorneys, 1997 - 2003

Nebraska Criminal Defense Attorneys Association, 1997 - 2000

National District Attorneys Association, 1994 - 1996

Nebraska Supreme Court Committees

Chief Justice's Leadership Committee on LEP Litigants, member, 2015 - present

Supreme Court Commission on Children in the Courts, Education Sub-Committee, member,
2013 - 2015

Judicial Leadership Program, 2013 - 2014

Lead Judge, "Through the Eyes of the Child" teams for Adams, Clay and Fillmore Counties,
2011 - present

Juvenile Jurisdiction Judges' Curriculum Committee, member, 2015 - present

Juvenile Summit: "Through the Eyes of the Child," Clay County Implementation Committee,
member, 2007 - 2011

Juvenile Summit: "Through the Eyes of the Child," Adams County Implementation Committee,
member, 2006 - 2009

State Court of Appeals, 5th District, Judicial Nominating Commission alternate member,
2005 - 2009

Tenth Judicial District of Nebraska, District Court, Judicial Nominating Commission member,
1999 - 2003

Nebraska County Judges Association

Education Committee, 2012 - present

Bench book subcommittee, 2015 - present

Juvenile Committee, 2013 - present
Criminal Procedure Community, Chair, 2013 - present

Community Activities

Catechism "CCD" teacher, St. Mary's Church, 2015 - 2016
Governor's Commission for the Protection of Children, member, 2013 - present
Nebraska Mediation Association, Board of Directors, 2011
Transitional Living Center, Policy Committee, Hastings, NE, 2011
Nebraska Mediator Standards Project, Standards/Ethics Committee, 2008
Family Drug Court Planning Group, 2006 - 2008
Hastings TeamMates, board member, 2005 - 2009
Hastings Literacy Program, board member, 2005 - 2009
City of Hastings Board of Appeals, group member, 2003 - 2009
Leadership Hastings, board member, 2002 - 2005
Nebraska State Planning Group, member, 2001 - 2002
Hastings Sunrise Rotary Club, 2001 - 2008
District Rotary Youth Protection Officer, 2007 - 2008
Legal Aid of Nebraska, board member, 2000 - 2011
South Central Nebraska CASA, board member, Hastings, NE, 1999 - 2011
Western Nebraska Legal Services, board member, 1999 - 2000
Tenth Judicial District Mental Health Board, chairman, 1999 - 2007
Mid-Rivers Nebraska American Red Cross, board member, Hastings, NE, 1998 - 1999
Knights of Columbus, Hastings Council 1123, 1997 ? 2012; St. Mary's (Sutton) Council, 2013 - present
Financial Secretary, 2008 - 2009
Deputy Grand Knight, 2007 - 2008
Hastings Noon Rotary Club, 1997 - 2001
Crisis Center, board member, Grand Island, NE, 1995 - 1996

Teaching & Publishing

Presenter, Mock Trial, Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center, Grand Island, NE, 1995 - 2011
Speaker, Clay and Fillmore County Government Day, 2012 - present
Moderator, panel discussion, Foster Care Review Office training seminar, 2013
Speaker, Nuckolls and Webster County Law Day, 2015
Presenter, County Judge's Summer Meeting, 2015

Honors & Awards

2012 "Most Impact" Award from the Supreme Court's "Through the Eyes of a Child" Initiative

2016 Nebraska State Bar Foundation Fellow:

Selection to become a Fellow in the Nebraska State Bar Foundation is based on the integrity and character of the lawyer/judge. The Foundation recognizes established legal professionals who are dedicated to improving the administration of justice. Fellows are accredited by colleagues as leaders of the legal profession who contribute to the charitable and community

education works of Foundation.
